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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES AGREEMENT - FERROUS METALLURGY

FOR SCI COUNS

REF: A) STATE 248262, B) MOSCOW 9182

1. REQUEST EMBASSY AGAIN SEEK SOVIET CONFIRMATION OF ACCEPTABILITY OF APRIL 27-MAY 11 VISIT DATES FOR US FERROUS METALLURGY DELEGATION. EMBASSY SHOULD STRESS HIGH LEVEL US PRIVATE SECTOR PARTICIPANTS REQUIRE EARLY DECISION ON VISIT TIMING DUE TO THEIR CROWDED SCHEDULES.

2. EMBASSY ALSO SHOULD CONVEY REQUEST FOR FOLLOWING CHANGES IN ITINERARY ORIGINALLY PROPOSED IN AIDE MEMOIRE EX-24 OF JUNE 14, 1973 AND ACCEPTED BY SOVIETS IN REFTEL

B. WE DESIRE VISITS TO THESE ADDITIONAL NEW SITES:

- A) RAW MATERIALS RESEARCH INSTITUTE (KRIVOY ROG);
- B) RUSTAVSKIY METALLURGICAL PLANT; AND
- C) MAGNITOGORSK IRON AND STEEL WORKS

VISIT TO PREVIOUSLY APPROVED ZAPOROZHYE STEEL WORKS SHOULD BE DROPPED TO SAVE TIME.

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3. TO ACCOMPLISH THESE ADDED VISITS WITHIN LIMITED TIME

AVAILABLE WE ALSO REQUEST USDEL BE SPLIT ON TWO OCCASIONS.

A) PART OF DELEGATION WOULD TRAVEL TO CHEREPOVETS,  
WHILE REMAINDER WOULD VISIT MAGNITOGORSK.

B) WHILE DELEGATION IS IN UKRAINE, PART WOULD VISIT  
RAW MATERIALS RESEARCH INSTITUTE (KRIVROY ROG) WHILE THE  
OTHERS GO TO DNEPROSPETSSTAL (ZAPOROZHYE).

WE WILL PROVIDE NAMES OF US PARTICIPANTS DESIRING TO VISIT  
EACH SITE AS SOON AS AGREEMENT CONFIRMED ON VISIT TIMING  
AND PROGRAM.

4. EMBASSY CAN EXPLAIN THAT THESE REQUESTS RESULT IN  
LARGE MEASURE FROM SUGGESTIONS MADE BY MEMBERS OF SOVIET  
DELEGATION HEADED BY MINISTER KAZANETS WHICH CAME HERE  
LAST SEPTEMBER. IN PARTICULAR SEVERAL SOVIETS SPOKE  
HIGHLY OF THE RAW MATERIALS RESEARCH INSTITUTE. THE  
RUSTAVSKIY PLANT WAS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED BY THE SOVIETS BUT  
WE PASSED IT UP BECAUSE OF IMPRESSION IT WAS OUTDATED.  
SOVDEL MEMBERS ADVISED VISIT, STATING PLANT HAD BEEN  
REBUILT AND WAS NOW VERY MODERN. REQUEST FOR MAGNITOGORSK  
ADDED BECAUSE SOME USDEL MEMBERS ARE INTERESTED IN FINISH-  
ING OPERATIONS SUCH AS TIN PLATING, ALUMINIZING AND  
PLASTIC COATING.

5. USDEL STILL DESIRE VISITS TO FOLLOWING PREVIOUSLY  
AGREED SITES:

A) I.P. BARDIN CENTRAL SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE  
OF FERROUS METALLURGY (MOSCOW);

B) I.P. BARDIN INSTITUTE PILOT PLANT (TULA);

C) DNEPROSPETSSTAL (ZAPOROZHYE) - (PART OF DELE-  
GATION);

D) KRIVROY ROG IRON AND STEEL WORKS;

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E) NOVO-LIPETSK IRON AND STEEL WORKS; AND

F) CHEREPOVETS IRON AND STEEL WORKS (PART OF DELE-  
GATION).

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